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This letter is in response to your letter dated August 6, 2002 concerning our Year end 2001 report.

The following is our procedure for our "best efforts" in obtaining missing information for contributors:

In our original solicitation, we request the contributor's information clearly and conspicuously, stating that federal law requires us to use our best efforts to obtain their address, occupation and employer if they give an aggregate of \$200 to the committee.

If for some reason we do not receive this information, we send a follow-up request within 30 days again stating that we are required to use our best efforts to obtain their address, occupation and employer. Our follow-up request contains no new solicitations and includes a pre-addressed return envelope.

If we do receive contributor information after the contribution has been reported, we will either file with our next report, an amended memo schedule A listing the additional information or file on or before our next regularly scheduled reporting date amendments to the original report.

Sincerely, Holly Giarraputo Comptroller Friends of Max Baucus